## DIRECTORS OF CINEMA PLAYS FIND DAY'S WORK ABSORBING



HERBERT BRENON

DIRECTING A SCENE

"NULDA FROM HOLLAND. HE careers of the motion pic-

ture directors are replete with contrasts. Men who a decade were doing odd Jobs about the legitimate theaires are now conducting operations involving millions of dol-David Wark Griffith, for instance

the story of his life by caying that his first job with the picures notted him \$5 a day. Although he declines to discuss the subject himself his income now is reported to be mearly half a million dollars a year.

"I got my first chance to be a disaid Mr. Griffith, "with the old Blograph Company. I had been taken on as a sort of utility man and was contributing scenarios to the company and doing various jobs around studios. One day the director of company was taken suddenly ill and I was asked to take over his duties for the day. I made a one reel pleture which was favorably looked That was the beginning."

Mr. Griffith has not yet been surassed as a picture director, although he is being pressed closely for first ors by other men who have met with extraordinary success within the last two years. But he achieved his esent position only after years of the hardest kind of work and study.

In making his pictures he is con-stantly on the job, and he wheedles as hardly any other individual is able to do. Frequently in taking a special scene he will kneel down close to actors and just out of range of the elicking camera and go through the action of the scene with them, indicating the different emotions that are to be registered and the moment at which a certain action must be

It is not an infrequent sight to see camera and studies closely from all speaking and acting stage."

Among the younger directors in the movies is Herbert Brenon, who has in bygone years.

Ince's Just at present Mr. Brady is working tion." risen rapidly in the estimation of film manufacturers and the general public night and day on his motion picture through his connection with the Willtam Fox studios. Mr. Brenon has director general of all the forces of SOCIAL NOTES mpleted what he considers his mas- the World Film Corporation. terplece in feature film production.

"A Daughter of the Gods." vaudeville. He was first engaged, however, as a call boy at Daly's The- what you make it." atre and remained there until Augustin Daly's death in 1898. After that

middle Western stock company. rather strange manner," Mr. Brenon I became deeply interested in the exwas in those early days of the development of the films. Watching the fore the camera is trained upon the letures on the screen imbued me with first tableau. the idea that I should like to take a more active part in their manufac-

the position of a scenario writer with the Imp Company, which was then of the Universal. I was employed for and was finally offered the chance to do the directing of one of the plays of my own writing. And I have been directing ever since.

Kellermann picture, the greater part of taken on the island of Jamaica, Mr. Breson then undertook the Famous Players Film Com- ment, ever the film destinies of Mme. Alla

There probably is no man in the motion picture industry who puts more irs of hard work and study into his various tasks every day than William



D. W. GRIFFITH CONFERRING WITH HIS LEADING MAN BEFORE THE "FILMING" OF A SCENE.

that the music makes him get more Film Corporation. Years of work with Min From Home. into the spirit of the thing and thus the actors and actresses of the regu-enables him to put out better pictures. lar stage teach one the finer points only in 1914, when Adolph Zukor.

Every one knows the successful old tions has been comparatively short. Before each scene or picture he has time melodramas which Mr. Brady. Thomas H. Ince, probably next to personal conference with the principal players. He instructs them in good as ever on the road. "Way director, is the founder of the famous detail just what to do and when to Down East" is one of these. First Inceville, in the hills of Southern Cali-

productions. Recently he was made

"It is the secret of health and long is is the Annette Kellermann picture life," he remarked with a laugh when asked how he could keep up the pace Brenon, unlike many of his colso well and do so much hard work.
eagues in the industry, comes of a "There's something about the theatre theatrical family. He was born in and its activity that gives one a per-Dublin, Ireland, in 1880, married an petual feeling of youth. It makes sctress and appeared with his wife in one young just to be in the land of make believe, where everything is

A film director of a somewhat different type is Cecil B. he became a stage director with a head of the Jesse L. Lasky Company's producing forces in Hollywood, Cal. He is a director of the quiet kind, seldom mixes in with the rough "After I left vaudeville and tumble of the fray while a picture with my wife we bought and managed is being taken, but stands back and a moving picture theatre in the South, advises from a distance. Much of his fascinating job for me and work is done indoors at a spacious desk where for hours, almost days at periment, for experiment it certainly a time, he will sit and plan and plan. working out each individual detail be-

Much of the Lasky reputation for attention to detail in making pictures is said to be due directly to Mr. de Mille's painstaking care in developing and giving due prominence to each little portion of the picture, bringing out a subtle point of light and shade here, curtailing a bit there, altering, adding, changing constantly. Many well known stage stars enter the motion picture business largely for this reason. They would rather be seen in a wholly gave a card party and dance yesterday artistic picture at a small salary than in a rather perfunctory production in the winter garden of the Hotel McAlpin. Bridge, five hundred

pany, leaped into prominence in the motion picture game by his production of "The Eternal City" two years ago, with Pauline Frederick in the leading role. He also began his the leading role. He also began his

novies as to the legitimate drama, lined a western stock company, among whose members were Fred among whose members were Fred Wast Post Couldn't Henry E. Divey Sut I have in no sense given up my from belief in the lexitimate.

"I received a solid foundation for my present work by being associated a properly with the stage from my youth, closely with the stage from my outh, spend later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becoming a manager in my first touring the country as an actor and later becomes a solid foundation for Mrs. L. Beidler, Mrs. A. L. Beidler, Mrs. Citable, Mrs. Citable, Mrs. A. L. Beidler, Mrs. Citable, Mr

him going through a scene with his own right. The experience has been Brethren," "The Garden of Allah." players to the lively tunes of an or-invaluable to me in my work in the "The Melting Pot." "The Daughter of chestra. He explains this by saying motion picture studies of the World Heaven." "The White Sister" and "The

He is consequently at the side of the of the game, for the motion picture president of the Famous Players, enoperator who turns the crank of the after all is only another form of the gaged him as chief director. So Mr.

produced more than twenty years ago, fornia, one of the largest film studios it is to-day apparently as popular as in the world, if not the largest. Mr. Ince's latest production is "Civiliza-

Continued from Second Page. Wednesday at the Plaza. Her pro-

gramme will include a group of con-temporary Irish poets. The dates for the other readings are December 6 and 20, and January 3, 17 and 31. are receiving the attention of the circle. An entertainment will be given or An entertainment will be greated as a control of the Professional The Junior War Relief Society, which woman's Club. 1999 Broadway, for the has met for the past two years at benefit of the Stony Wold Sanatorium. Sherry's on Tuesday mornings, resumed it will be under the auspices of Auxiliary its work last week. The members work its work last week. The members work is work last week. benefit of the Stony Wold Sanatorium. It will be under the auspices of Auxiliary No. 14 and the programme will include a talk, "An Hour in Costume Building," by

Under the patronage of Mrs. Emil Boas, Mrs. George Burr, Mrs. Henry Goldman, Mrs. George Burr, Mrs. Henry Goldman, Mrs. George Lee Bready at the Von Ende School of Music on West Eighty-fifth Waldorf-Astoria for the benefit of the Waldorf-Astoria for the Waldorf-Astoria.

The Alumne Association of the College was under the patronage of Mrs. J. J. Blodgett, Mrs. Alexander Wilson, Mrs. James M. Noble McConnell. Mrs. John Gibbs, Mrs. James M. Witter Sorchan, Mrs. James M. Sterish, Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. J. A. Donald, Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. J. A.

For the benefit of its educational and Joseph J. O'Donohue, Mrs. in a rather perfunctory production with greater pay.

Hotel McAlpin. Bridge. Dancing was from 4 until 6 o'clock. Mrs. Stanley Hugh Ford, chief director for Lyman Otis had charge of the entertain-

Repetti, Miss Katherine Breslin and Miss the leading role. He also began his career as a stock company actor and from his association with many leading players has gathered much in-Whatever I do I want to put my to him in his picture work.

To a Sun reporter. "I am now devoting as much time to the sport of the legitimate drams, like a Western stock company, I among whose members were Free will be served each day.

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needy of the Post-Graduate and Gouver- well as all kind of household necessaries Blumenthal of the Devonshire, 112th Katherine W. Smith, to Paul Fisher. Mr. near hospitals, an entertainment and because well as all kind of nousehold necessaries are for sale, and during the afternoon and evening of December 18 and 16. Donations of articles to be of the committee in charge and was as-15 and 16. Donations of articles to be of the committee in charge and was associated are being received by Miss Ida sisted by Mrs. Stanley Benton, Miss Nordlinger of 64 West Eighty-ninth street Charlotte Hand, Miss Marjorie Howson and Miss Matilda Danziger of 50 West and Mrs. Sigmund Adler.

Seventy-seventh street. Children who have been crippled by infantile paralysis

The New Tork city colony of the Na-

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from 10 until 12:30 o'clock at making ington Heights Hospital will be held at bandages, surgical dressings and comfort the Ritz-Carlton from December 6 to bags for the Allies. Mrs. Walter Eyre December 9. It will be in charge of the Mrs. Edwin de Wolfe Morse, and musical bags for the logues by Mrs. Isabelle Watson, ets are 50 cents each and may be Lambert is president of the organization, Lambert is president of the organization, Mrs. J. Markham Marshall treasurer and Heller is president. There will be a obtained from Mrs. A. H. Bridge, 3905 Mrs. Robert Olyphant secretary,

A series of ten operatic lecture re-

phtlanthropic fund the Woman's Forum Blake, Mrs. Theodore A. Madden, Mrs. gave a card party and dance yesterday Henry Cassidy, Miss Pauline Haggerty, Mrs. Frederic Russell, Mrs. Dexter White, Mrs. William M. Ford, Mrs. John C. Healy, Mrs. Joseph E. Smith, Mrs. T. S. Newberry, Mrs. M. E. Bannin, Miss Miss Marguerite Farrell, Miss Mildred

throughout the week a bazaar will be held at 35 West Thirty-seventh street, to raise best man for Mr. Horner and the ushers funds for the College Settlement in Riv- will be Theodore F. Stark, J. Graham

MARIE DORO DISCUSSING A SCENE

A DAUGHTER

THE GODS

tional Society of New England Women will give its first card party of the sca-The Junior War Relief Society, which son on Tuesday at the Walderf-Astoria.

A begaar for the benefit of the Washdance on the opening night and a con cert on the following night, and on De cember 9 an operetta by children and young girls will be the attraction.

A card party was held on Tuesday at the Waldorf-Astoria for the benefit of the Seabury Memorial Home at Mount Wildenbruch, translated from the German, with special music written by Max Schillings, and selections from classic and modern poetry in English and German.

Mrs. J. Henry Haggerty was chairman of the beatar, and some of those interested in its success included Mrs. Morgan J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. P. Henry Dugro, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arth. J. O'Brien, Mrs. Arth. J. O' Mrs. Victor Sorchan, Mrs. James Mc-Donald, Mrs. James Walker, Mrs. J. A. Samuel Cook, Mrs. H. Croswell Tuttle, Mrs. George W. Smith, Mrs. Arthur C. Stoney, Mrs. George Barrett, Mrs. G. E. Thomas Elv. Mrs. J. H. Blackford, Mrs. William Wheelock and Mrs. James L. Purdy,

> Miss Edith Standish Robinson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Standish Robinson of 1 West Eighty-third street, will be married to Halsey Boardman Horner on November 28. The wedding will take place in the Hotel Gotham and the ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Thomas J. Horner of Attleboro,

Beginning to-morrow and continuing Miss Robinson will be attended by grouphout the week a bazaar will be held the B. Finch David Company of Attleboro, Mass, father of the bridgeroom.

Miss Robinson will be attended by the Bridgeroom of Attleboro, Mass, father of the bridgeroom. Fitch H. Haskell and Fred-

several hard and struggling years on around the present Inceville. the stage Thomas Ince became asso- During the six years in which he has essential assets of a comedian

THOMAS H. INCE

AND

He soon realized that the moving pic-ture field was his forte and about six was a great believer at one time in the years ago permanently abandoned the Western form of drama and many of speaking stage for the silent drama. He stage of every glance and gestion at tion of his associate players during the making of a scene.

"You may explain to an actor how a speaking stage for the silent drama. His best pictures bear the indelible Those were primitive days in the mo- stamp of the West. Those were primitive days in the mo-tion picture industry and Mr. Ince. What he calls his greatest play, confesses that he was very much "up "Civilization," is now being exhibited in his system that indefinable someagainst it" in the struggle to support to good business in New York, Chicago thing he will fail to concentrate of

Invitations have been sent out by Mrs. Charles John Wills of 321 West Ninety-fourth street for the marriage of her daughter, Miss Helen Gertrude Wills to Carll Webster Strong. It will take place in All Angels Church, West End avenue.

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Miss Wills will have Miss Like Shearman and the congressation of Shearth Israel of the congressation of Shearth Israel of

man for her maid of honor, and her New York. No date has been set for the other attendants will be Miss Crystal wedding. Wetlaufer and Mrs. 12-20 his brother and Strong will wait upon his brother as best man, and the usners will be two sas best man, and the usners will be two pacher, daughter of Mr and Mrs. Walter pacher, daughter of Philadelphia, to Max

Mrs. James A. Greer of 58 Central

Park West amounces the engagement of her niece, Miss Gladys Lufburrow, to hristopher M. Lowther, son of George a gown of white and her father and continuous tendence and the bride and her father and strength of the bride and the father and continuous tendence are governed to the bride and the father and strength of the bride and the father and continuous tendence are governed to the bride and the father and continuous tendence are governed to the bride and the father and continuous tendence are continuous to the father and the father and the father and continuous tendence are continuous tendence and the father and the fathe Christopher M. Lowther, son of George Lowther, of 275 Park avenue. No date has been mentioned for the wedding.

a gown of white satin made ankle length and her yell was fastened with a coronet of orange blossoms. She carried lilles of the valley and white orchids. Announcement is made by Mr. and Announcement is made by Mr. and Her sister-in-law, Mrs. Lester Step-Mrs. Charles Hauptner of this city of the engagement of their daughter, Miss was dressed in yellow taffeta, and the

the engagement of their daughter, Miss Charlotte Hauptner, to Loraine S. Conklin, son of Col. Eugene H. Conklin of 320 West Seventy-eighth street.

West Ninety-second street have an nounced the engagement of their daughter, Miss Harriet Louise Muir, to Karl Schroder, son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilhelm Schroder of Amsterdam, Holland. No date has been set for the wedding.

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Announcement has been made by Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Leffler of 267 West Eighty-ninth street of the engagement of their daughter, Miss Edith Leffler, to Norman I Wins.

Announcement has been made by Mr. Steppacher, Leenard Seesler, Dolph I steppacher, Leenard Gerstley, Jr. of Philadelphia, Myron Morreay of Cleveland, and Bertram Freedman of Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry F. Miller of 591 West End avenue announce the engage-ment of their daughter, Miss Marion Miller, to David Bonner, Jr. Mr. Honner is a civil engineer and a graduate of Prince-ton, class of 1902. He is the sen of Mr. and Mrs. David Bonner of Stamford

Dr. and Mrs. St. Clair Smith of \$6

His career as a minister carned for him a large reputation. Then he turned to writing. His best known work was of course "The Clansman". This book was put into dramatic form. Mr. Griffith saw in the story and in the

his father. Before that he had studied and practised law in his native State

of North Carolina. He was elected

later to the South Carolina Legislature

and sat in that body in 1885 and 1886.

play the subject for a great motion picture plot. "The Clansman" therefore became "The Birth of a Nation" Mr. Dixon has received a large amount of money in royalties from the book, the play and "The Birth of a Nation." He has cleared considerably over \$100,000 on the three ventures.

His success decided him to enter the movie game himself and his first production was "The Fall of a Nation" which followed "The Birth of a Nation at the Liberty Theatre. Mr. Dixon's producing activities were conducted by the National Drama Corporation A story about picture directors would be incomplete without mention of Mack Sennett of the Keystone Company He

is at the head of the largest comedy organization in the United States, the main studies being located near Les Angeles, Cal. As a laugh producer Sennett is practically unequalled. The Keystone Company maintains a staff of picked writers to furnish scenarios for Mr. Sennett's use. They are con stantly in touch with his ideas and hait frequent conferences with him. basilthough he deals in "comedy stuff Mack Sennett would not strike the casual observer as a funny man. He is extremely quiet and self-contain takes his work seriously and works hard at it all the time.

"The psychology, of a laugh," said Mr. Sennett in discussing his work. something that is genuine and not forced. Action that shows anticipat. Palmer and achieved a national repu- Angeles and in the heart of the pic- is usually that and unconvin

SCENE FROM

"CIVILIZATION"

will give a large reception at their home, 14 East Fifty-third street, on December 23 to introduce their daugh-ter, Miss Katherine Turck.

Mr. and Mrs. Frederick J. Byrne

Del. will reside at 181 West fourth street when they rel

wn up all Everything must appear impulsive consider initiative as ciated with Daniel Frohman in a busi-ness capacity.

been actively engaged in the moving ability of the actor to take full picture business Mr. Ince has produced vantage of every glance and gestic-

many and varied elements of a Mr. Ince was an actor in his younger tor for the Vitagraph Company of days. So were his two brothers, John America. His father, John E. Ince, and Raiph, the latter now chief direct was leading man with the late Minnie in the Santa Monica Valley near Los minister, following in the footsteps of part. A man monitor of the Vitagraph Company of his wife and family. But he persent and Boston and other smaller cities.

Thomas Dixon began as a Baptist one may learn the technical part, but he persent and Raiph, the latter now chief direct was leading man with the late Minnie in the Santa Monica Valley near Los minister, following in the footsteps of part. part. A man may have in his maken everything but the faculty of dame trick. That is what you cannot im

ican hearing in the programme the Trio de Lutece will off-concert in the Cort Theatre or T afternoon, November 28 Emm

The Fienzaley Quartet will

first subscription concert to According Tuesday evening. November 25 as best man, and the ushers will be two other brothers. Louis and Dudley Strong; Samuel Disbrow and James Webster.

Mr. and Mrs. William Christian Miller of 400 West 152d street announce the engagement of their daughter, Mrs. Mrs. Gladys Mackay Miller, to Arghur Carroll Lewis of Plainfield, N. J. No date has been set for the wedding.

There was an aisle arranged through brogganism will be in member of humbers of which the quarter of humbers of which the quarter of humbers of which the quarter of the street and the field the field of this city, which took place at the field was particularly fond, a movement of their daughter of the field to Max it young on the field was followed by a field was followed by a reception and dinner dance, after which the young couple left for an extended at his request on the afternoon of day of his death and was repeated.

There was an aisle arranged through its function is functionally and the field of the fie programme will

> Germaine Schnitzer, planist, w a recital in Carnegie Hall on afternoon. November 38 gratume will be devoted to composers of the so-called "It

The second pair of concerts brideshnads. Miss Charlotte Feustman,
Miss Cecile Louchheim, Miss Fanny
Haum, Miss Helen Hecht, Miss Irene
Hecht and Miss Ruth Erlanger, were neen, December 2. The Syng. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Muir of 122 Hecht and Miss Ruth Erlanger, wore from December 2. The Syntal West Ninety-second street have announced the engagement of their daughter Miss Harriet Laubs Muir to Kerl.

The bridegroom's cousin, Austin W. the "Scheheragade" suits of 1

The Musical Art Society, under direction of Frank Damrosci v the first of two concerts in a twenty-fourth season at Carreon Tuesday evening, December 18 Notable on the programme is I "The Blessed Damesel."

of the Sacred Heart at Wilmington, of three "Concerts of this Pek, will reside in 161 W Seventy from They will be given in Aerika.

Dr. and Mrs. St. Clair Smith of 56 their wedding trip. Mrs. Byrne was urday afternoon, January 10 west Fiftieth street have announced the Miss Mary Bexton, daughter of Michael evening, February 16, and Sunday of the Sexton of Wilmington.